

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The data management system includes: a retrieval instructing/displaying mechanism for accepting various retrieval conditions for data storage means in which data belonging to any of

5 multiple managed objects are stored; retrieval part for retrieving data adapted to each of the accepted retrieval conditions from the data storage means and specifying a managed object to which the retrieved data belong; and a collection storage part for holding identification information for identifying the managed object specified by the retrieval part as part of

10 a collection of retrieval results collected for each retrieval condition. In this configuration, the collection held in the collection storage part is set as a target of retrieval instead of the data storage means.

